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In re application of:

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

The present communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on November 27, 2002 (Paper No. 7). Applicants request a three month Extension of Time, and hereby authorize payment of the large-entity fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) from Deposit Account 08-1641, so that this response is timely filed. It is requested that the deduction from Deposit Account 08-1641 reference Docket No. 39766-0037 C3.

In this response, Applicants request entry of an amendment to claim 1 and entry of new claims 2-20. A list of all pending claims, including the changes to be made according to the requested amendments, is presented on the pages immediately following.

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